# CITY OF NORWALK THIRD TAXING DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2010

ATTENDANCE: Paul Kokias, Acting Chair; David Brown

STAFF: George Leary, General Manager; Ron Scofield, Assistant General Manager

OTHERS: John Bove, District Counsel

Mr. Kokias called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no members of the public present this evening.

# MINUTES OF MEETING - December 8, 2009

- \*\* MR. BROWN MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED
- \*\* MR. KOKIAS SECONDED
- \*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

#### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Leary reviewed his written report. He reported that the District made a better than anticipated profit during the Fiscal year ending June 30, 2009.

#### FIREHOUSE LEASE APPROVAL

Mr. Bove explained that he e-mailed copies of the lease to everyone. He described the changes to the lease. He said that the only outstanding issue was the retroactive activity. Mr. Brown commented that the District put a lot of money into the Fire House and asked if they would be asking for reimbursement for the capital improvements. Mr. Leary explained that under the lease, the District is responsible for capital improvements. Mr. Bove said that reimbursement of capital funds was not part of the negotiations when he got the lease and that he did not know there was an issue. Mr. Brown congratulated Mr. Bove for his success with the lease.

Mr. Brown suggested that the Commissioners be present for the lease signing. He added that he would like to schedule a photo op with the Commissioners and the Mayor at the Firehouse.

- \*\* MR. BROWN MOVED TO ACCEPT THE FIREHOUSE LEASE AS PRESENTED
- \*\* MR. KOKIAS SECONDED
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## **ANNUAL MEETING PREPARATION**

Mr. Leary distributed and reviewed last year's annual meeting handout. He explained that the figures in the document were last year's. Mr. Leary asked if anyone had changes to the format to let him know. The Commissioners held a lengthy conversation about the information being presented at the March 3<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting. The Commissioners requested that the projected numbers be available to them at the next meeting.

Mr. Scofield said that he will be proposing adding an additional concert this year and putting it on Monday evening to see what the response will be instead of Sunday afternoon, when it is very hot outside. Mr. Brown suggested having the concert subsidized by local restaurants. He added that Monday nights are a poor night. Mr. Scofield said that he wanted to stay away from Wednesday nights, which is when the City holds their concerts. Mr. Kokias asked if they could hold a concert in conjunction with a car show. Mr. Scofield said that people enjoy the concerts and he wanted to do an extra one at night to see the response.

Mr. Kokias said that he did not mind either way. Mr. Brown said that he would like to see sponsors. Mr. Kokias said that sponsorships would take away from the District giving back to the residents. Mr. Brown said that could be worked out. Mr. Scofield suggested having a banner showing that the concerts are sponsored by the Third Taxing District. He said that the concerts are for the people in the District and the enjoy them.

Mr. Leary said that they will provide more budget details at the next meeting.

#### CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING REVIEW

Mr. Scofield said that they did not hold the Christmas Tree lighting this year due to bad weather. He asked the Commissioners if they would like to consider having a rain date next year. The Commissioners agreed that the rain date would be the following day.

Mr. Scofield said that the tree is in bad shape. He suggested removing the tree and planting a new one. He also suggested that between now and the next meeting that the Commissioners look at the tree to see what they think. Mr. Kokias said that he was against cutting down the tree unless it is a danger. Mr. Leary suggested planting a new tree. Mr. Brown said that he agreed with Mr. Kokias.

Mr. Kokias suggested pruning the tree at the right time. He said that he can't see cutting the tree and putting another one up; it could be very expensive.

The rest of the agenda was postponed until they have a full Commission present.

# **PERSONNEL**

## **NORDEN GENERATORS**

# **SUBSTATION SITE STUDY**

Mr. Leary said that Transco would like to come in and make a presentation to the Commission. Mr. Leary said that he will schedule a special meeting for later in the month.

# **ADJOURN**

- \*\* MR. KOKIAS MOVED TO ADJOURN
- \*\* MR. BROWN SECONDED
- \*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemarie Lombardi Telesco Secretarial Services